

North American colonies this summer and I shall have much gratification in sending it in the autumn to some of the most important ports in your country.

I have had little doubt that the British Squadron will receive the same cordial welcome which your country always shows toward mine.

I sincerely hope that Mrs* Roosevelt and the members

of your family are in the best of health, and begging

you to bring me to the remembrance of your sister, Mrs.

Cowles, whom I have had the pleasure of knowing,

Believe me,

Dear Mr. President,

Very truly,

KDWAED K. & I.

To this the President replied:

*(Original sent in the President's
Jwndwriting.)*

March 9,

1905.

My dear King Edward:

On the eve of the inauguration Sir Mortimer (Duraid)

handed me Your Majesty's very kind letter, and the minia-
ture of Hampden, than which I could have appreciated

nothing more. White, who will hand you this, has repeated

to me your conversation with him. Through him I have

ventured to send you some studies of mine in our western
history.

I absolutely agree with you as to the importance, not only
to ourselves but to all the free peoples of the civilized

world, of a constantly growing friendship and understand-
ing between the English-speaking peoples. One

of the grati-
fying things in what has occurred during the

last decade has
been the growth in this feeling of good will
All I can do
to foster it will be done. I need hardly add
that, in order
to foster it, we need judgment and moderation
no less than
the good will itself. The larger interests of
the two na-
tions are the same; and the fundamental,
underlying traits
of their characters are also the same. Over
here, our